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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Thakker & Ward Group Art Unit: 1614

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For: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR ENHANCING PARACELLULAR

PERMEABILITY ACROSS EPITHELIAL AND ENDOTHELIAL BARRIERS

AFTER FINAL AMENDMENT F

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Final Official Action dated April 10, 2008, for which a Notice of Appeal was filed on October 10, 2008. The period for filing of the Appeal Brief expires on <u>December 10, 2008</u>.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendment and Remarks.

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Please amend the subject application as follows: